

**COUNTY OF SAN LUIS OBISPO BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
AGENDA ITEM TRANSMITTAL**

(1) DEPARTMENT Public Works	(2) MEETING DATE 12/8/2015	(3) CONTACT/PHONE Frank Honeycutt, Transportation Division Manager (805) 781-5269	
(4) SUBJECT Request to approve a Cooperative Agreement with California Department of Transportation to prepare a project study report for the interchange at US Highway 101 and Main Street, Templeton. District 1.			
(5) RECOMMENDED ACTION It is recommended that the Board approve a Cooperative Agreement with California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) to prepare a Project Study Report (PSR-PDS) for the interchange at US Highway 101 and Main Street, Templeton (WBS 300150).			
(6) FUNDING SOURCE(S) Road Impact Fees, Regional State Highway Account	(7) CURRENT YEAR FINANCIAL IMPACT \$261,000.00	(8) ANNUAL FINANCIAL IMPACT \$0.00	(9) BUDGETED? Yes
(10) AGENDA PLACEMENT <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Consent <input type="checkbox"/> Presentation <input type="checkbox"/> Hearing (Time Est. ____) <input type="checkbox"/> Board Business (Time Est. ____)			
(11) EXECUTED DOCUMENTS <input type="checkbox"/> Resolutions <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Contracts <input type="checkbox"/> Ordinances <input type="checkbox"/> N/A			
(12) OUTLINE AGREEMENT REQUISITION NUMBER (OAR) N/A		(13) BUDGET ADJUSTMENT REQUIRED? BAR ID Number: N/A <input type="checkbox"/> 4/5 Vote Required <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> N/A	
(14) LOCATION MAP Attached	(15) BUSINESS IMPACT STATEMENT? No	(16) AGENDA ITEM HISTORY <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> N/A Date: _____	
(17) ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE REVIEW David E. Grim			
(18) SUPERVISOR DISTRICT(S) District 1			

Reference: 15DEC08-C-1

County of San Luis Obispo



TO: Board of Supervisors

FROM: Public Works

Frank Honeycutt, Transportation Division Manager

VIA: Dave Flynn, Deputy Director of Public Works

DATE: 12/8/2015

SUBJECT: Request to approve a Cooperative Agreement with California Department of Transportation to prepare a project study report for the interchange at US Highway 101 and Main Street, Templeton. District 1.

RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the Board approve a Cooperative Agreement with California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) to prepare a Project Study Report (PSR-PDS) for the interchange at US Highway 101 and Main Street, Templeton (WBS 300150).

DISCUSSION

Over the years, traffic circulation studies for the Templeton area have repeatedly identified the US 101 interchange at Main Street as being inadequate to meet the circulation needs at build out of the community. Initial signs of this need are already being observed by the community and by other frequent users of the interchange. To help address this need, the Templeton Road Improvement Fee program has been collecting fees from development to eventually fund improvements at this interchange.

As this interchange is a part of the State Highway System, Caltrans must play an integral role in the development process. The final design must also be approved by Caltrans. The first of many steps required by Caltrans is the preparation of a Project Study Report – Project Development Support (PSR-PDS). This report will identify several alternatives to improving the interchange, identify potential environment and right-of-way impacts associated with each alternative and the overall project costs.

This agreement will enable Caltrans staff to prepare the PSR-PDS and advance the project. Portions of the report will rely on research and analysis previously prepared by Public Works' staff. This includes environmental review, right-of-way impact estimates, and traffic modeling. Public Works will also take the lead on the community outreach and ensuring the community has the opportunity for participation in the development process. A detailed scope of work for Caltrans staff and for Public Works staff is included in the attached Cooperative Agreement.

OTHER AGENCY INVOLVEMENT/IMPACT

With some assistance from Public Works staff, Caltrans will prepare the PSR-PDS document. Caltrans will also retain the authority to issue final approval for any improvements within the State right-of-way including this interchange.

The Templeton Area Advisory Group has expressed concerns over current traffic operations at the Interchange and will seek to participate in the selection of alternatives.

San Luis Obispo Council of Governments (SLOCOG) is also providing regional funding to the development of the PSR-PDS.

Traffic utilizing both the Main Street and Route 46 W interchange along US Highway 101 serve local traffic within both the unincorporated area and the City of Paso Robles. As the project is developed, an assessment of funding contribution from local and regional sources will need to be defined. As the Route 46 W interchange has reached peak hour congestion, traffic is then diverted to the Main Street Interchange.

County Counsel has reviewed the Cooperative Agreement as to legal form and effect.

FINANCIAL CONSIDERATIONS

The Cooperative Agreement includes a provision to cap the cost to the County at \$261,000. However, Caltrans staff and Public Works staff anticipate the final cost to be significantly less. The two Agencies have agreed to closely monitor cost each month to ensure costs are kept to a minimum.

This project is a multi-year project budgeted in Road Fund for FY 2015-16 – WBS 300150 in the amount of \$483,514. The project will be funded from Road Impact Fees Templeton Fee Area C account and from \$250,000 in regional State Highway account funding provided by SLOCOG. Unexpected funds will be utilized in the preparation of the project's environmental document. No budget adjustment is necessary at this time.

RESULTS

The expected result of this Cooperative Agreement will be the completion of a Project Study Report which will ultimately allow for needed construction improvements of the Main Street Interchange. The ultimate result is to improve traffic operations and safety at the interchange, making this a safer, prosperous and livable community.

ATTACHMENTS

1. Vicinity Map
2. Cooperative Agreement

File: WBS 300150

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